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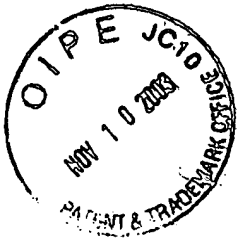
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REMARKS

Applicants respectfully request further examination and reconsideration in view of the arguments set forth fully below. Claims 1-14 were previously pending in this application. Claims 1-14 are rejected. Accordingly, Claims 1-14 are now pending in this application.

Rejections Under 35 U.S.C. § 103

Within the Office Action, Claims 1-6 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent No. 6,289,090 issued to Tessler *et al.* (hereafter "Tessler") in view of U.S. Patent No. 5,479,489 issued to O'Brien. The Applicants respectfully traverse this rejection.

Tessler explicitly teaches a system to display information on a customer premises